

I believe that healthy families are critical to a healthy economy and a healthy America. To hear from as many constituents as possible, in August alone, I held six public face-to-face events to answer any questions about health care reform. On Monday, August 24, I held a live telephone town hall, which you can hear in its entirety by clicking [here](#). During the call, which went over the hour scheduled, I was able to address concerns ranging from how the public plan will increase competition and lower costs to how health care reform will make Medicare work harder for the people that need it most. I also had the chance to discuss certain misinformation, including false claims that the legislation extends benefits to illegal immigrants or that it creates what some opponents have called "death panels." I want to hear from you as Congress develops a solution that works for Central Texas families and all Americans.